

St. Andrew Calendar:

- ❖ **Sunday Mar 29th** **PALM SUNDAY: MASS at 10:30am**
 - ❖ Rosary at 10:00am
 - Mass Intention – Marie Berger*
- ❖ **Monday Mar 30th** **BLOOD DRIVE 2:00pm – 6:30pm**
- ❖ **Wednesday Apr 01st** **FAMILY FAITH RE NIGHT @ 5:30pm**
- ❖ **Thursday Apr 02nd** **HOLY THURSDAY MASS @ 5:30pm**
- ❖ **Friday Apr 03rd** **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE @ 5:30pm**
- ❖ **Sunday Apr 05th** **EASTER SUNDAY: MASS at 10:30am**
 - ❖ Rosary at 10:00am
 - Mass Intention – Richard Zubeck*
- ❖ **Wednesday Apr 08th** **Finance Council Meeting @ 6:00pm**

WEEKLY MINISTRIES:

SUNDAY MAR 29

SACRISTAN: CHRIS AND LYNN RUBLEY
SAFETY AND SECURITY: CHRIS RUBLEY AND MATT CALDWELL
ALTAR SERVERS: KASYN KURTZ, KENNA KURTZ AND PHYLLIS AVESING
LECTORS: JAY MATLOCK AND STEPHANIE MIGAWA
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: TINA GIPPLE AND MARY NELSON
GREETERS: SHIRLEY SCHMIDT AND JILL HALLIGAN
USHERS: ART AND LINDA DAUFELDT
GIFT BEARERS: BONNIE STRONG AND LISA SMITH
CANTOR: LARRY EWERS
MONEY COUNTERS: BONNIE STRONG AND PAT SHEEHEY

SUNDAY APR 5

SACRISTAN: CHRIS AND LYNN RUBLEY
SAFETY AND SECURITY: CHRIS RUBLEY AND JILL HALLIGAN
ALTAR SERVERS: PRESTON ZUBECK, TAYLOR GOSSE, PHYLLIS AVESING AND MATT CARLSON
LECTORS: JIM FRIES AND KANNAN KURTZ
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: SHIRLEY SCHMIDT AND PHYLLIS AVESING
GREETERS: BOB BRUS AND WENDY SCHNACK
USHERS: GOSSE FAMILY
GIFT BEARERS: CALDWELL FAMILY
CANTOR: KAMRIN VARELA
MONEY COUNTERS: STEVE GEERING AND PAT SHEEHEY

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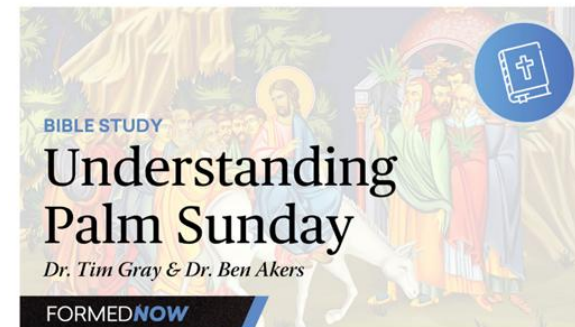
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PALM SUNDAY

Sunday Mar 29, 2026

This Week on Formed:



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Understanding Palm Sunday

Focusing on the Biblical account of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers break open the meaning of why Jesus rode on a donkey, the significance of the palm branches and the singing of Hosanna, and how this event launched Holy Week and the redemption of the world.

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Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

The Knights of Columbus's next meeting will be on **Monday April 13th, 2026, NEW TIME at 6 p.m.** in the Parish conference center. For more information, please contact Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or Clemente Escalante at 563-554- 0787.

EASTER SCAVENGER HUNT

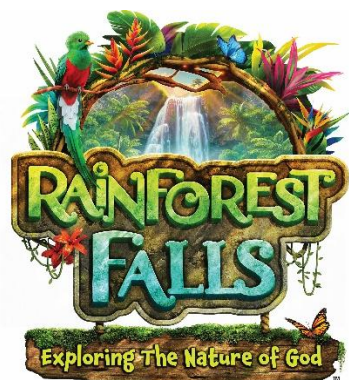


KIDS - join us for a scavenger hunt in the circular driveway following Mass on Easter Sunday April 5. Grab a bag with a list of items for you to find. If it rains, it will be in the Parish Hall.



ST ANDREW SISTERS IN CHRIST

Meeting will be
MONDAY APRIL 06, 2026
at 6:00pm



RAINFOREST FALLS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 22nd – 26th, 2026

Exploring The Nature of God

See Phyllis for more details!!!

From the Desk of Deacon Matt

The Passion of our Lord always reminds me how sometimes God’s plans are unwittingly aided by mean and malicious actions of those who were closest to Him. Judas, of course, is a prime example. His betrayal of Jesus sets the entire Passion in motion. The chief priests and Pharisees who talked Pilate into setting a guard to secure the tomb also unintentionally helped convince many who would otherwise be skeptical about the Resurrection. By ensuring that the tomb was well-guarded, the authorities eliminated that alternative explanation when in fact Jesus was raised from the dead. Their plan backfired when Jesus’ body disappeared from the well-guarded tomb, enabling Jesus’ disciples to indeed “say to the people, ‘He has been raised from the dead,’” just as they had feared would happen without a guard (Matthew 27:64). God’s plan succeeded even when Jesus’ opponents tried to prevent it. God’s plans always succeed!!!

In Gethsemane, which in Hebrew means “oil press”, Jesus asks his disciples to stay and keep watch while he prays, but repeatedly they fall asleep. After he had first told his disciples that he would be put to death, Jesus said that whoever would follow him must also take up their cross. Sometimes taking up our cross means helping someone whose cross is too heavy to carry themselves. Perhaps it just means accompanying them through a difficult time. This week we will be invited to remain with the Lord and keep watch as we recall this scene. Other times, we may be offered the opportunity to stay and keep watch with someone who needs a hand to hold or a shoulder to cry on during times of anxiety or grief. When we do so, let us recall this scene and recognize the Lord in the person who needs our watchful presence.

By doing this we Live to Give the Gospel, we Glorify the Lord, and we Become the Good News by Being the Good News.

Shalom Shalom

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AS OF 03/22/2026					
	WE HAVE 151 FAMILIES REGISTERED AS ACTIVE MEMBERS	ACTUAL MONTH OF MAR	BUDGET MONTH OF MAR	TOTAL TO DATE	2025-2026 GOALS YEAR ENDING 06/30/2026
30 OF 125 ENVELOPES	\$ 1,917.00	\$11,898.00	\$ 17,083.33	\$ 120,074.00	\$ 205,000.00
11 OF 26 ELECTRONIC	\$ 839.00				
CASH (LOOSE)	\$ 114.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 4,384.00	\$ 7,000.00
CHILDREN'S	\$ 39.00	\$ 124.00		\$ 635.00	\$ -